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# A Three-Dimensional Nanoporous Silicon Anode for High-Energy Density Lithium-ion Batteries, Phase I

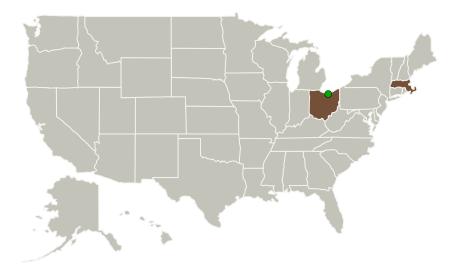


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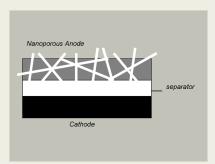
### **Project Introduction**

This SBIR phase I program is directed toward the development of novel, nanoporous silica anodes for low-earth-orbiting (LEO) spacecraft power applications. Silica has attracted a lot of attention as a next-generation anode material because of its very high theoretical capacity compared to state-of-the-art graphitic carbon anodes. However, its use in Li-ion battery applications is limited by its poor cycle stability caused by large volume changes experienced during Li insertion and extraction. The unique pore structure of materials developed in this program will overcome this limitation and realize rechargeable Li-ion cells with high-specific energy and extremely stable cycle life for LEO spacecraft power applications.

### **Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners**



| Organizations<br>Performing Work | Role                       | Туре           | Location                 |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Giner, Inc.                      | Lead<br>Organization       | Industry       | Newton,<br>Massachusetts |
| Glenn Research<br>Center(GRC)    | Supporting<br>Organization | NASA<br>Center | Cleveland,<br>Ohio       |



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| Primary U.S. Work Locations |      |
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| Massachusetts               | Ohio |

### **Project Transitions**

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February 2012: Project Start



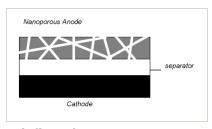
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**Closeout Summary:** A Three-Dimensional Nanoporous Silicon Anode for High-E nergy Density Lithium-ion Batteries, Phase I Project Image

#### **Closeout Documentation:**

• Final Summary Chart Image(https://techport.nasa.gov/file/137928)

#### **Images**



#### **Briefing Chart Image**

A Three-Dimensional Nanoporous Silicon Anode for High-Energy Density Lithium-ion Batteries, Phase I (https://techport.nasa.gov/imag e/130287)

# Organizational Responsibility

#### Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

#### **Lead Organization:**

Giner, Inc.

#### **Responsible Program:**

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## **Project Management**

#### **Program Director:**

Jason L Kessler

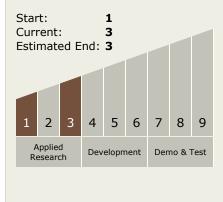
#### **Program Manager:**

Carlos Torrez

#### **Principal Investigator:**

Castro S.t. Laicer

# Technology Maturity (TRL)





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# **Technology Areas**

#### **Primary:**

- **Target Destinations**

The Moon, Mars, Outside the Solar System, The Sun, Earth, Others Inside the Solar System

